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Note: For updates to the information in this module, see [IHCP Banner Pages and Bulletins](#) at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

Introduction

Special education services provided by a public school and contained in an Individualized Education Program (IEP) are exempt from prior authorization (PA) requirements. The IEP serves as prior authorization for the service provided.

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) enrolls only school corporations recognized and approved by the Indiana Department of Education. School corporations enrolled as IHCP providers (specialty 120) are exempt from requirements to obtain PA to bill for IEP services furnished to a student in Special Education.

IEP services are carved out of IHCP managed care programs; therefore, they are exempt from primary medical provider (PMP) referral requirements for managed care members.

Note: Although IEP services are carved out of IHCP managed care programs, provider cooperation is strongly encouraged to keep the PMPs informed of health-related services provided to IHCP-eligible special education students enrolled in managed care programs. Arrangements should be made to send progress reports or some other type of documentation to the student's PMP to promote continuity and quality of care.

Additional information, including the *Medicaid Billing Tool Kit* for health-related IEP services, can be found on the [School-Based Medicaid](#) page, located on the Indiana Department of Education website at doe.in.gov.

Covered IEP Services

IHCP-covered IEP evaluation and treatment services are face-to-face, health-related services provided to students eligible to receive services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Covered services must be medically necessary, included in the Indiana Medicaid State Plan, and listed in (or required for developing) a student's IEP or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Examples might include:

- Nursing services provided by a registered nurse (RN)
- Behavioral health services, including assessments and evaluations
- Speech/language pathology and hearing services
- Physical and occupational therapy
- Applied behavior analysis (ABA) therapy
- IEP-required special transportation services on dates of another covered IEP service

IHCP-enrolled public school corporations may submit claims to the IHCP for reimbursement of all IEP covered services identified in a student's IEP.

The following sections include general coverage and billing requirements related to IEP nursing, diabetes self-care management training (DSMT), and transportation services. More detailed information, including procedure codes and modifier requirements related to *all* IEP services, can be found in *Appendix E: CMS-1500 Billing Instructions* in the *Medicaid Billing Tool Kit*, available on the [School-Based Medicaid](#) page at doe.in.gov.

IEP Nursing Services

IHCP reimbursement is available for IEP nursing services rendered by an RN employed by, or under contract with, an IHCP-enrolled school corporation provider when the services are medically necessary, ordered by a physician, and provided pursuant to an IHCP-enrolled student's IEP. The IEP serves as the prior authorization for the IEP nursing services; thus, no additional prior authorization is necessary.

IEP nursing services are billed using the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT^{®1}) code and modifiers 99600 TD TM – *IEP-related nursing services, per 15 minutes*. Except as noted in the [IEP Diabetes Self-Management Training Services](#) section, coverage and reimbursement of 99600 TD TM includes all services performed in accordance with the scope of practice for a registered nurse, including but not limited to, administration of oral medication and nebulizer treatments. School corporations should bill 99600 TD TM with the appropriate number of units based on accurate start and stop times. For the current reimbursement rate, see the Professional Fee Schedule, accessible from the [IHCP Fee Schedules](#) page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

Units of Time

For IEP nursing services, bill aggregate daily total care time. If total daily care is 8 minutes or more, the provider may round the units up to the 15-minute unit of service and bill one unit of 99600 TD TM. If total daily care time is 7 minutes or less, the provider cannot round this time up and, therefore, cannot bill for it.

Start and Stop Times

Documentation of IEP nursing services must include the start and stop times for each IEP nursing service provided per date of service.

Offsite IEP Nursing Services

Documentation of IEP nursing services provided offsite or during a school field trip must note the place of service and include a description of the beginning and ending dates and times of the school field trip. The student's IEP must specifically authorize the Medicaid-covered IEP service for which there is a documented medical need.

IEP Diabetes Self-Management Training Services

CPT code 99600 TD TM is an all-inclusive code for IEP-related nursing services, with the exception of DSMT services. If DSMT services are provided pursuant to a Medicaid-enrolled student's IEP, the appropriate DSMT procedure code and modifier combination should be billed along with the modifier TM to identify it as an IEP-related service, as follows:

- G0108 U6 TM – *IEP-related diabetes outpatient self-management training services, individual, per 15 minutes*
- G0109 U6 TM – *IEP-related diabetes self-management training service, group session (2 or more), per 15 minutes*

As with all IEP nursing services, DSMT must be medically necessary and provided pursuant to a Medicaid-enrolled student's IEP. Additionally, all other requirements and guidelines stated in IHCP provider communications, including the IHCP provider reference modules and provider banner pages and bulletins available at in.gov/medicaid/providers, must be met. Further information may also be found in the *Medicaid Billing Tool Kit*, located on the [School-Based Medicaid](#) page at doe.in.gov.

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IEP Transportation Services

IHCP reimbursement is available for IEP transportation services rendered by personnel who are employed by, or contractors of, an IHCP-enrolled school corporation provider when the services are medically necessary and provided pursuant to an IHCP-enrolled student's IEP. IEP-related transportation services are not covered when provided by a member of the child's family, unless that person is employed by, or a contractor of, the school corporation.

IEP transportation services must be authorized in the child's IEP and must be provided to enable the child to receive another IHCP-covered service identified in the child's IEP.

Additional payment is available for an attendant, subject to the limitations in *Indiana Administrative Code 405 IAC 5-30-8 (1) and (2)*, provided that the student's IEP includes the need for an attendant and that all other IHCP requirements are met.

When billing IEP transportation services, modifier TM must be attached to the end of all transportation billing codes to identify the service as IEP-related. Additionally, school corporations should follow IHCP transportation guidelines and rules, as stated in [IHCP Banner Pages and Bulletins](#) and in the [Transportation Services](#) module.

School corporations are exempt from the following transportation guidelines and regulations:

- Prior authorization requirement – The student's IEP serves as the prior authorization for IEP transportation services; thus, no additional PA is required, regardless of the number of one-way trips.
- Enrollment requirements set out in *405 IAC 5-4-2* – School corporations are exempt from these enrollment requirements when transportation services provided conform to *405 IAC 5-30-11* and requirements set out in *Indiana Code IC 20-27* are met.
- Copayment requirement – Pursuant to federal law, transportation copayments should not be collected by school corporations for members who receive IEP transportation services.
- Member's signature on documentation – Member's signature is not a documentation requirement for IEP transportation services.

Additional information may be located in the *Medicaid Billing Tool Kit*, located on the [School-Based Medicaid](#) page at [doe.in.gov](#).

Claim Submission for IEP Services

All IEP services must be billed by providers with specialty 120 – *School Corporation* using the professional claim (*CMS-1500* claim form, IHCP Provider Healthcare Portal professional claim, or 837P electronic transaction). For general IHCP billing and claim submission instructions, see the [Claim Submission and Processing](#) module.

Because IEP services are carved out of the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Care Connect, and Hoosier Healthwise managed care programs, school corporation providers must not submit claims for IEP services to the student's managed care entity (MCE). Instead, school corporation providers must submit all claims for IEP services to the IHCP fee-for-service (FFS) claim processor, DXC Technology, either electronically or at the following address:

**DXC – CMS-1500
P.O. Box 7269
Indianapolis, IN 46207-7269**